

This report, updated monthly, is designed to provide you with a summary of active NHTSA Defect Investigations. The investigations listed below are grouped according to type of investigation (Preliminary Evaluation, Engineering Analysis, Recall Query, and Defect/Recall Petition) and identify the products under investigation, the alleged problem, and the investigation status. For up-to-date details on specific investigations, you can enter its Action # in the Quick Search box at: http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/defect/defectsearch.cfm

If you're having any safety problem with your vehicle, whether or not identified on the list below, please **Contact Us** today!

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MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT ENGINEERING ANALYSIS					
Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed	
EA11-005	2004-2005 Mini Cooper	Loss of Power Steering Assist	04-MAY-2011		
EA12-007	1992-2012 MCI D & E Series Buses with Steerable Tag Axle	MCI Driveshaft Safety Loop Failures	13-SEP-2012		
EA14-002	2011-2013 Kia Sorento	Spontaneous Sunroof Breakage	12-MAY-2014		
EA14-004	2008 Honda Accord 4-door	Inadvertent Side Air Bag Deployment	29-JUL-2014		
EA15-001	Various MY 2001-2011 models with Takata air bag inflators	Air Bag Inflator Rupture	24-FEB-2015		
EA15-002	MY2011-13 Fiesta, MY2013 Fusion, Lincoln MKZ	Door Latch Failure	27-FEB-2015		
EA15-004	2013-2014 Various Nissan/Infiniti Models (see models below)	Occupant Classification System Failure	31-AUG-2015		
EA15-005	2015 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor	Front Brake Hose Failure	28-SEP-2015		
EA15-006	2011-2012 Ford F-150 equipped with 3.5L GTDI engines	Brake Vacuum Pump Failure	16-OCT-2015		

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT PRELIMINARY EVALUATIONS				
Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
PE14-020	2014 Freightliner Business Class M2	CNG Fuel System Integrity	07-JUL-2014	
PE14-033	2013 Honda Accord	Electric Power Steering Failure	04-NOV-2014	06-OCT-2015
PE15-001	2013 Nissan Rogue	Improper Frontal Air Bag Deployment	12-JAN-2015	
PE15-003	MY 2015 Jeep Cherokee	Engine compartment fire	13-JAN-2015	
PE15-005	MY 2014 Stallion 900 Tour Bus	Loss of Windshield Wiper Function	27-FEB-2015	
PE15-006	2014 Autocar ACX/Heil Half/Pack Freedom CNG Refuse Truck	CNG Fuel Container Rupture During A Fire	27-FEB-2015	
PE15-007	2007-2014 LCI RV Three Step Electric Powered Entry Steps	LCI RV Entry Step Failures	27-FEB-2015	19-OCT-2015

PE15-008	2004 - current Pierce Fire trucks with the TAK-4 suspension	Front suspension ball joint failure	27-FEB-2015	
PE15-011	2012 Winnebago Sightseer	Entry Step Failures	06-APR-2015	
PE15-013	MY 2012 - 2013 Navistar Prostar Trucks	Accelerator Pedal Fails to Return	17-APR-2015	
PE15-014	2012-14 GL1800	Inconsistent Throttle Response	20-APR-2015	
PE15-016	2015 Slingshot SL	Front wheel failure	20-APR-2015	16-OCT-2015
PE15-019	2007 - 2012 Nissan Versa	Front Coil Spring Fracture	13-MAY-2015	02-OCT-2015
PE15-020	2014 Ford Edge w/Sport Trim 22 inch alloy wheels	Wheel Separation	20-MAY-2015	
PE15-021	MY 2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee	Crash Imminent Braking Malfunction	01-JUN-2015	
PE15-023	Fontaine Ultra LT 2011-2014	5th Wheel malfunction	09-JUN-2015	02-OCT-2015
PE15-024	2013 Dodge Dart	Brake Power Assist Failure	18-JUN-2015	
PE15-025	2007-2012 Jeep Wrangler (left hand drive)	Air Bag Clockspring Wiring Failure	19-JUN-2015	
PE15-026	2011-2012 Ford F-150 equipped with 3.5L GTDI engines	Brake Vacuum Pump Failure	22-JUN-2015	19-OCT-2015
PE15-027	ARC hybrid air bag inflators	Air Bag Inflator Rupture	13-JUL-2015	
PE15-028	MY 2003-2005 Ford Crown Victoria and Mercury Grand Marquis	Loss of headlights	10-AUG-2015	
PE15-029	2008 Honda Accord	SRS Module Failure	18-AUG-2015	
PE15-030	MY 2014 & 2015 Jeep Grand Cherokee	Unattended vehicle rollaway	20-AUG-2015	
PE15-031	2007-2009 Kia Spectra	Occupant Classification System Fault	01-SEP-2015	
PE15-032	MY2012-2015 Isuzu N-Series Trucks	Wheel bearing failure	28-SEP-2015	
PE15-033	IOTA Automatic Transfer Switches	Transfer Switch Heat Related Failures	28-SEP-2015	
PE15-034	2010 Bear Trailer Manufacturing	Hitch Failure	16-OCT-2015	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT RECALL QUERY					
Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed	
RQ14-001	2002-2003 Jeep Liberty and 2002-2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee	Inadvertent Airbag Deployment	29-MAY-14		
RQ14-005	2011-2012 Ford F-250/350/450/550 with 6.7L Diesel Engines	Exhaust Gas Temperature Sensor	13-JAN-15		
RQ15-002	2006-2014 S2000 and 5500-Series Wheelchair Lifts	Wheelchair lift platform failure	18-MAR-15	16-OCT-15	
RQ15-003	2011-2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee and Dodge Durango	Headliner Fires	01-MAY-15		
RQ15-004	MY 2013-2015 Chrysler/Dodge/Jeep/Ram with RA3 or RA4 radios	Software security vulnerability	24-JUL-15		

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT PETITIONS

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
DP09- 006	2005 - 07 MODEL YEAR BLUE BIRD WANDERLODGE M450 MOTOR HOME	ALLEGED INADEQUATE CAMPAIGN REMEDY	30-NOV-2009	
DP12- 004	MY 2005-2010 Nissan Frontier/Xterra/Frontier	Transmission Failure (ATF contamination)	11-JUN-2012	
DP14- 001	MY 2008 Chevrolet Impala	Passenger Air Bag OCS Algorithm	22-JUL-2014	
DP15- 001	2008 - 2011 Ford Escape, Mercury Mariner	Electric power steering assist failure	01-APR-2015	
DP15- 004	2010 Chevrolet Tahoe	Rollover Side Curtain Air Bags	11-JUN-2015	
DP15- 006	2013 - 2016 Volvo 780	Volvo Ride Quality	28-SEP-2015	
DP15- 007	2010 Lexus HS250H	Low-speed surging	19-OCT-2015	

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION (PE)

Initial phase of a NHTSA investigation, a PE is prompted after a review of consumer complaints and/or manufacturer service bulletins suggest a safety defect may exist. The results of a PE determine whether the investigation will be upgraded to an Engineering Analysis or closed. Most PEs are resolved within four months.

ENGINEERING ANALYSIS (EA)

Second and final phase of a NHTSA investigation, an EA is undertaken if data from a PE indicate further examination of a potential safety defect is warranted. The results of an EA determine whether a safety recall should be initiated or the investigation should be closed. Most EAs are resolved within one year.

RECALL QUERY (RQ)

NHTSA monitors recalls to ensure that the scope, completion rate, and remedy are adequate. If recall adequacy comes into question, an RQ is opened to determine if the scope of the recall should be expanded or an adjustment in existing remedies is required.

DEFECT OR RECALL PETITION (DP OR RP)

NHTSA may be petitioned to investigate an alleged safety defect or whether a manufacturer has successfully carried out the requirements of a recall. If the petition is granted, NHTSA opens an appropriate investigation. If the petition is denied, the reasons for denial are published in the Federal Register.

If you have a safety concern or want to learn more...

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